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<b>PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)</b> <b>FY 2005</b> <i>(Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).</i>		Docket Number (Optional)  16973-2
Application Number	10/535,527	Filed
For	AN INTRAMURAL NEEDLE-TIPPED SURGICAL DEVICE	
Art Unit	Examiner	

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above-identified application.

**The requested extension and fee are as follows (check time period desired and enter the appropriate fee below):**

	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee</u>	
<input type="checkbox"/> One month [37 CFR 1.17(a)(1)]	\$120	\$60	\$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Two months [37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)]	\$450	\$225	\$_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Three months [37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)]	\$1020	\$510	\$_____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Four months [37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)]	\$1590	\$795	<u>\$ 1590.00</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Five months [37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)]	\$2160	\$1080	\$_____

- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
  - A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
  - Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
  - The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
  - The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 23-3030. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

**WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form.  
Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

I am the  Applicant/inventor.

- Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.171.  
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed (Form PTO/SB/96).

Attorney or agent of record. Registration Number: 35,714

Attorney or agent under 37 CFR 1.34(a).  
Registration number if acting under 37 CFR 1.34(a): 35,714

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Signature

May 22, 2006

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Typed or Printed Name

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**NOTE:** Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required. See below.

- \*Total of \_\_\_\_\_ forms are submitted.

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